

POWELL RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

RURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES – June 17, 2010

The RURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE meeting was held at the Regional District office on June 17, 2010 commencing at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Director Dave Murphy, Chair
Director Patrick Brabazon
Director Stan Gisborne
Director Colin Palmer

Staff
Present: Frances Ladret, Administrator

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. **Minutes of May 27, 2010**

P. Brabazon / C. Palmer THAT the minutes of the May 27, 2010 meeting be adopted as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED.

DELEGATION

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. **Special Occasion Liquor Licence Endorsement: Savary Island Fire Department**

P. Brabazon / C. Palmer THAT the Committee recommend the Board endorse the issuance of the special occasion liquor licence to the Savary Island Fire Department to host the Savary Island Summerfest to be held on July 24, 2010 at the Savary Island fire hall.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. **Request for Financial Assistance: Texada Sandcastle Committee**

P. Brabazon / C. Palmer THAT the Committee recommend the Board authorize a grant-in-aid from the Electoral Area D grant-in-aid account in the amount of \$500 to the Texada Sandcastle Committee to assist in the costs of a laser light show during the annual Texada Sandcastle events.

MOTION CARRIED.

3. **Request for Funding: Crime Stoppers**

P. Brabazon / C. Palmer THAT the Committee recommend the Board authorize a contribution of \$500 to the Crime Stoppers program to be funded equally from the Electoral Areas A-D grant-in-aid accounts.

MOTION CARRIED.

4. **Request for Funding: PRREDS**

C. Palmer / P. Brabazon THAT the Committee recommend the Board approve a \$5,000 contribution from the 2010 Economic Development funding to PRREDS for the initial publication of an agriculture guide on the condition that PRREDS will require any private entity it may subsidize to produce the first year guide to commit to producing the guide for at least five years, or at least make best commercial efforts to do so, in exchange for the subsidy.

MOTION CARRIED.

5. **2010 UBCM Convention Attendance**

P. Brabazon / C. Palmer THAT the Committee recommend the Board authorize interested directors and the administrator to attend the UBCM Convention to be held in Whistler from September 27 – October 1, 2010.

MOTION CARRIED.

6. **Lund Sewer Pump Purchase**

P. Brabazon / C. Palmer THAT the Committee recommend the Board accept the quote from Engineered Pumps to supply and install a new Myers 4RHX150M2-53 pump from the Lund Sewer Pump Station #1 at a cost of \$5,551.84 plus taxes;

AND THAT the purchase be financed from funds designated for the reserve in 2010 and the Lund Sewer budget be amended accordingly.

MOTION CARRIED.

7. **Request for City Water Extension – Nootka Street**

The Committee considered a request from the owner of the xx Golf Course on Nootka Street, adjacent to the City boundary for permission to connect the golf course and adjoining mobile home park to the City water system. Dave Tietzen, part owner of the golf course property, was present at the meeting and informed directors that they wanted to use City water only for drinking water

purposes in order to avoid the complexities and liabilities associated with operating a domestic water system. They have a well producing 90 gpm which can supply the golf course and other irrigation needs.

Directors and the property owner discussed various implications of extending City services into the electoral area. It was agreed to defer the request to July's Rural Services Committee meeting to allow staff to discuss the request with the City.

8. Coroner's Inquest Recommendations re Firefighter/1st Responder Training

The Committee received the above-noted information. The Administrator noted that the report recommended further training for fire fighters in dealing with special medical situations. She expressed concern about the level of responsibility for dealing with medical emergencies that fire fighters are being expected to assume.

9. Savary Island Dock Dredging

The Administrator reported that all approvals for the dredging at the Savary dock are in place but the contractor has been delayed due to some hold-up with the company's insurers.

10. Electoral Area Directors Forum Report

Directors Palmer and Brabazon provided verbal reports on their attendance at the above-noted forum. Topics addressed at the session included Rural Resource Roads, Grow-ops in Rural Areas, Licensing of Off-road Vehicles and recent legislative changes.

11. Savary Island Fire Control Bylaw Amendments

This item of business was deferred to the July Rural Services Committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Dave Murphy, Chair

Frances Ladret, Administrator